AGENDA: State Collaborative for Children System of Care

**CHAIRPERSONS:** Joel Rosch and Pat Solomon **LOCATION:** NC Child Advocacy Institute

**DATE: Sept. 10, 2004 START TIME:** 9:00 am **END TIME:** 11:00a.m.

NAME	PRESENT	NAME	PRESENT	NAME	PRESENT
Ali Avery, AOC/Drug Tx	X	Jan Hood, AOC		Mike Lancaster, DMHDDSAS	X
Al Deitch, DOA-YA&I		Jennifer Mahan, MHANC		Mike Mosley DHHS	
Alicia Graham, DMHDDSAS		Jennifer Sullivan, NASW		Pat Solomon, NC Families United Co Chair	
Austin Connors, CFSA- NC/Kathy Dobbs		Joann Haggerty, NC CAI	X	Rebecca Huffman, DSS	X
Brad Trotter, DHOH-DMH		Joel Rosch, CCFP Co- Chair		Sally Cameron, NCPA	
Carol Duncan-Clayton, CCP		John Tote, MHA		Susan Eller, School Psychology Association	X
Carol Robertson, DMA		Judy Ritchie, MHA		Susan Robinson, DMH-CF	
Carol Tant, WCHS		Kathy Klutz, WCH		Susan Whitten, DJJDP	
Charlotte Craver, Value Options		Kirstin Frescoln, AOC	X	Terri Grant, SOC MH/DD/SAS	
Cheryl Waller, CSHS		Lana Dial, AOC		Tina Howard, GCC	
Cyndie Bennett, Office of Education Services		Larry Hayes		Tom Smith, DSS	X
Debra McHenry, DPI		Linda Swann, NAMI		Virginia Pirelli, DJJDP	
Deborah Carroll, DPH		Lisa Rabin, NC Carolina Legal Assistance		Others in Attendence	
Diann Irwin, DPI	X	Marie Britt, DMA	X	Adam Short, NCCAI	X
Don Willis, MHDDSAS	X	Martha Lowrance, YA&I	, A	Eunice Muthengi, IRT	X
Donn Hargrove, DJJDP		Martin Pharr, DJJDP		Tiki Gwynne, IRT	X
Earl Marett, DSS		Michael Owens, NCCCP	X	Tiki Gwyilie, IKI	Λ
Esther High, DSS		Michael Schweitzer, DJJDP			
Flo Stein, DMHDDSAS		Michelle Zechmann, GCC			
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(1) Welcome & Introductions Kirstin (Stand-in Chair)					
(2) Review of minutes	Minutes were not available for review				
(3) CTSP Non-UCR Funds		ter reported that DMHDDSA			
	looked into the use of CTSP funds and found that many funds were not being used because of the perception that they could only be spent in certain ways. Upon investigation, it was determined that the funds could be used with more flexibility than previously thought. By making that clear, agencies could now use the funds in ways that encourage the development of community capacity more fully. The information went out from DMHDDSAS as a letter from Mike Moseley and it is posted on the web (we				
	think). The children served with these funds have not changed, but the services funded have been opened up				
	and broadene	ed. There will still be some			

	over large sums but there is much more flexibility.	
(4) How can the Legislature support collaboration among child- serving agencies?	Representative Verla Insko asked Joel and Mike Lancaster what the General Assembly (GA) could do to foster collaboration among agencies. She also inquired about the state collaborative and its work. Mike sent her copies of the MOAs that were developed at the beginning of the collaborative. He raised the question of whether the collaborative had lost some of its agency support and this may be an opportunity to put more legislative power behind it. The group discussed what could be done to encourage more collaboration. Issues raised affecting collaboration included the lack of funds in agencies for people to really spend time to focus on collaboration. Often agencies are put in the position of competing against each other for funding. The general consensus was that the money was available if spent in the right ways. The question of whether a study bill was needed for this issue was raised, but often study bills are not productive in achieving goals as intended. The group recognized that collaboration needed to be given more emphasis from the "top," perhaps even a mandate or entitlement for services the way it is mandated for special education children. After much discussion it was felt that collaboration among agencies would be most likely to occur if the agencies had shared outcomes for which they were held accountable by the GA. The collaborative is in a good position to identify what those shared outcomes might be. The group discussed possibilities such as decreasing days in detention, increasing school attendance, and decreasing the school drop out rate. By choosing a DPI initiative such as school drop out rate, it appeared that all agencies could come together around that.	Joanne Hagerty is going to get the Evaluation Committee together to meet to discuss the issue further and to determine possible outcomes. The committee will report on their meeting at the end of the month meeting of the collaborative. Rep. Insko will be invited to the October 8 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the collaborative to discuss the issue directly with her. The intent would be not to finalize the outcomes on that date but to consider possibilities with her and have her participate in the type of intellectual discussion of the issues that took place in today's meeting.
(5) Pew Commission Report on Foster Care	September 24 <sup>th</sup> in Greensboro there will be a follow- up session to focus on financing	
(6) Notices are not being sent when children are being moved from one care setting to another	Diann Irwin reported that schools are not getting any notice when children are being moved from one group home setting to another. This was required by SB 163 and the collaborative worked on a procedure and a letter to help this happen but it isn't being done. What can be done to make it happen?	Mike Lancaster will look into where the letter that the collaborative developed is and/or develop a letter and bring it back to the group at the next meeting
(7) State Collaborative Sub-committees:		
Training	Kathy Dobbs is chairing the Training Committee	• Next meeting Sept. 16, 2004.
Evaluations	Need to reconvene to discuss efficacy of data sharing across agencies and MIS.	
Assessment	TBA	
School Based	Met Aug. 27, 2004 -plan to define school based mental health and identify programs in the state, having another meeting today after this meeting	Diann will send a report to the meeting of the Collaborative on September 24
(8) Community Partners Updates	Kirstin Frescoln announced that AOC has a new director, Judge Ralph Walker. The DTC also received a Bureau of Justice grant to begin analysis of the five Youth Treatment Courts.	

	Mike Lancaster will talk to Pat Solomon about appointing a consumer to the Child Planning team at DMHDDSAS.	
	Tiki Gwynne announced that a national conference on Fetal Alcohol Sprectrum Disorders (FASD) would be held on Saturday, Sept. 11 at the Friday Center in Chapel Hill.	A Coalition on FASD meets monthly, if people want to send representatives they can. Contact Tiki at <a href="mailto:tgwynne@irtinc.us">tgwynne@irtinc.us</a> .
(9) Agenda Items for future meetings	Evaluation Committee to report on 9/24 regarding possible shared outcomes discussion.     Mike Lancaster is going to have data presented regarding suspensions of African American males before and after System of Care     Rebecca Huffman and Joel Rosch will present information on the Blended Funding Logic Model	
(10) Next large group meeting	Sept. 24, 2004, GCC 9 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	

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